



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
Delta Battery, 1st Battalion, 79th Field Artillery
434th Field Artillery Brigade
Fort Sill, Oklahoma 73503

REPLY TO THE
ATTENTION OF:

ATSF-KG-D

9 October 2014

MEMORANDUM FOR Family and Friends of D/1-79 FA Soldiers

SUBJECT: Graduation Letter

Dear Parents, Family Members, and Friends:

We are in the 6th week of Basic Training. We are fast approaching Family Day and Graduation. My name is CPT Ihechiluru Ekeke, I am the Battery Commander for Delta Battery 1-79th Field Artillery, and I am sending you this letter to give you the opportunity to plan and support your Soldier. Your Soldiers are all performing well, and seeing their motivation makes training them my pleasure. As graduation moves closer, we have included some items that make it easier to plan for and attend the Family Day Presentation on 06 November 2014 and Graduation ceremony on 07 November 2014.

Here are the timelines for Family Day and Graduation:

Family Day: 06 November 2014

1000 -1100	Family members arrive to Family Day Activities
1000-1100	Family Day Briefing (Destroyer Park, Fort Sill, Oklahoma)
1100 -2030	Pass Privileges
2030 -2045	Accountability Formation

Graduation Day: 07 November 2014

1245 -1300	Doors open/ Families seated in McMahon Auditorium		
1300 -1400	Graduation at McMahon Auditorium	1400 -1430	Soldiers
travel back to Battery area by bus			
1430 -1445	Pass Briefing/ Sign-out on pass		
1445-2030	Pass Privileges		
2030 -2045	Accountability Formation in Battery area		

*** NOTE: Soldiers will begin shipping out to their Advanced Individual Training (AIT) as early as 2 a.m. on Saturday and possibly continue until Monday. The Soldiers who will not graduate will have pass privileges in the Battery area only after all duty details are complete. Avoiding confusion and congestion, we ask that there are no visitors during

the duty day prior to Family Day. Please look for and follow the big "GREEN" signs. I will send out digital posting and photographs on the Delta battery Facebook account <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Delta-battery-1-79-FA-Basic-Combat-Training/148902951836140> that describes some of the training your Soldiers conduct here. You can also find information on Ft. Sill and Lawton area at the chamber of commerce website: <http://www.lawtonfortsillchamber.com/index.php?pr=Lodging>. There is also great information on the 434th FA BDE website at <http://sill-www.army.mil/434/index.htm>. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any emergencies regarding you Soldier. My telephone number is (580)-442-1322/1379. I look forward to meeting you and hope you are able to attend you Soldier's Graduation. Thank you for the Support of your Soldier!



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